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WHEREAS; fabrication laboratories (fab labs) in public schools throughout Wisconsin are providing students with access to hands-on experience and training to help prepare them for the jobs of the 21st century; and

WHEREAS; fab labs allow students to put into practice concepts they have learned in science, technology, engineering, art and mathematics (STEAM) courses, which will benefit them regardless of the career path they chose after high school; and

WHEREAS; in addition to benefiting students, Wisconsin's fab labs are accessible to the community and contribute more broadly to economic development by sparking innovation among local entrepreneurs, inventors, and small businesses; and

WHEREAS; Wisconsin's Fab Labs Program is fostering collaboration and a sharing of resources among schools, technical colleges and universities throughout the state; and

WHEREAS; the State of Wisconsin, in partnership with the Wisconsin Economic Development Corporation, has demonstrated its commitment to fab labs by providing grants to public school districts statewide to purchase equipment to create new labs or expand existing ones; and

WHEREAS; the State of Wisconsin is committed to continuing to build fab lab capacity to meet demand from schools as the state focuses on workforce needs;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Tony Evers, Governor of the state of Wisconsin, do hereby proclaim the week of May 13, 2019 as

FAB LAB DAY

throughout the state of Wisconsin and I commend this observance to all of our citizens.



IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the state of Wisconsin to be affixed. Done at the Capitol in the city of Madison this 2nd day of May 2019.

TONY EVERS GOVERNOR

By the Governor:

Douglas LA FOLLETTE

Secretary of State